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TITLE: LEAF STRIPPER, MORE PARTICULARLY DESIGNED FOR SELECTIVE VINE
LEAF STRIPPING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In conjunction with the filing of the present application, and prior to an initial Official Action on this matter, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Please note that the following amendments apply to the attached specification and claims labeled for U.S. filing. This combined application incorporates the original application and any annex to the International Application in the proper order, including the correct original and substitute pages, claims and drawing sheets.

Preliminary Amendment: SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

In Paragraph [0034], please amend the paragraph as follows:

The goals, characteristics and advantages above, and still others, are best brought out in the description that follows and the attached ~~drawings in which~~ drawings.

In Paragraphs [0036] to [0053], please amend the paragraphs as follows:

[0036] Figure 2 is a ~~planar~~ top plan view of this leaf stripping machine consisting of two symmetrical leaf stripping heads, one of which is shown schematically, the leaf stripping machine being shown in the course of work on a vine row.

[0037] Figure 3 is an elevation front view ~~and facing view~~ of one of the leaf stripping heads or modules of the leaf stripping machine shown without its carrier chassis.

[0038] Figure 4 is a ~~planar~~ top plan view of Figure 3.

[0039] Figure 5 is a front view of this leaf stripping head.

[0040] Figure 6 is a rear view of this leaf stripping head.